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Title: C ANDRE BELA LOUIS BAK

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Synopsis:

BALIMP SZENTIMIKLOSSY states he first met subject in France in 1948, knowing him to be a former French prisoner of war from the Hungarian Army. States he never knew him to be employed as a member of the French Intelligence Service, but did know him to act as a translator for the French Army immediately following the war.

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DETAILS:

On July 20, 1966, efforts were made to contact BALIMP SZENTIMIKLOSSY at 86 Hafen Avenue, New York City. There is no Hafen Avenue in any of the five boroughs of New York City. He was located on July 25, 1966 at 86 Haven Avenue, New York City. At this time he stated that he first met BAK some time in 1948 while he was in France. He knew BAK to be a "fine gentleman" and that he left France several years after and he and BAK resumed their friendship when BAK came to the United States. He stated that in the course of his friendship he knew BAK to have been a Hungarian officer in World War II who was captured by the French and interned in France. During the

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period of his internment, BAK told him that he was often used by the French military as an interpreter. It was SZENTIMIKLOSSY's recollection that BAK never mentioned being a member of any French intelligence service.

In an effort to locate BELA SOMOSKUTI, care of Clark Associates, New York City, a highway and bridge construction company, the following is noted:

This corporation is listed in none of the directories of the five boroughs of New York City. NY T-1, who is in a position to furnish reliable information regarding business activities in the metropolitan New York area, had no information concerning this organization.

Mr. GERALD CUNNINGHAM, Secretary, General Contractors Association of New York City, 220 East 42nd Street, New York City, on July 25, 1966, stated that no corporation by that name existed in the metropolitan New York area, and his national records do not carry such an organization.

In an effort to locate WILLIAM JAMES BRIGGMAN, 342 Madison Avenue, New York City, the following is to be noted:

342 Madison Avenue is a large, multi-storied office building housing approximately 900 separate business offices. A survey of the board in the lobby does not list individuals by name but only corporations themselves. As a result, no further effort was made to locate BRIGGMAN.

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